## Fenland Local Plan Issues and Options Consultation Oct-Nov 2019 Form C – Local Green Space Nomination Form

## Part B: Nominate a Green Space

i) Green space information				
Name of green space:	LITTLE ACRE FEN POCKET PARK			
Address of green space:	LITTLE ACRE FEN DROVE CHATTERIS			
Description of green space:	A former overgrown area of land, owned by Chatteris Town Council, has been transformed into a Pocket Park complete with pond and dipping platform, community orchard, raised viewing area, dry pond, tree trunk seats and bug hotel. Many donated trees have been planted by volunteers, a picnic bench is soon to be installed and a memorial trees area is to be developed.			
Area of green space (ha):	1.581 ARRES			

## ii) Demonstrably special criteria

Local Green Spaces must be demonstrably special to a local community and hold a particular local significance. Please tick the criteria your nominated green space satisfies – tick all that apply ( $\checkmark$ ):

Beauty		Tranquility	•	
Historic significance		Richness of wildlife	W	
Recreational value	/	Other – please describe		
Please provide a summary of green space's significance to local community	The Little Acre Fen Pocket Park has been created by Chatteris Town Council to increase the open space provision in Chatteris and to provide an area where trees and bushes can be planted and wildlife encouraged. It gives residents the opportunity to appreciate the vast open skies of the Fens and encourages outdoor activities such as walking and horse riding.			
	A Friends of the Pocket Park group (FLAPP) has been set up by volunteers who have spent many hours planting, weeding and helping to develop the area. Beavers, cubs and scouts and Little Bloomers have also helped and in future it is hoped that other organisations and groups will take advantage of the area; in particular youth groups and schools who will be encouraged to use the new pond facilities. A reeded area around the pond has been preserved to encourage other forms of wildlife. The memorial trees area will create a tranquil spot for reflection.			
	The Pocket Park is linked to the popular Old Railway Line Footpath and Bridleway and the installation of a footpath through the park has resulted in the creation of a circular walk for all residents. It is particularly popular with dog walkers.			